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NITC Vision, Goals and Objectives
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NITC Vision Statement (Unchanged)
"Promote the use of information technology in education, health care, economic development, and all levels of government services to improve the quality of life of all Nebraskans."

NITC Mission Statementm (Changed)
"The mission of the Nebraska Information Technology Commission is to make the State of Nebraska's information technology infrastructure more accessible and responsive to the needs of its citizens, regardless of location, while making investments in government, education, health care and other services more efficient and cost effective."

NITC Goals and Objectives (Revised)
1. Support the development of a robust statewide telecommunications infrastructure that is scalable, reliable and efficient. Objectives:
    1.1. Facilitate pilot projects to demonstrate the viability of aggregating and leveraging public sector purchases of telecommunications services to promote a robust telecommunications infrastructure (NETCOM). Develop institutional arrangements, define a technical architecture, and adopt a timeline to achieve statewide expansion of the NETCOM infrastructure.
    1.2. Study the feasibility of sharing networks and network support functions serving multiple sectors (Nebraska Network Feasibility Study).
    1.3. Establish standards for service levels to meet requirements of different sectors, including business, health care, and education. Identify strategies to achieve these levels of service, including the role of communities. Monitor differences in service levels and cost.

2. Support the use of information technology to enhance community and economic development. Objectives:
    2.1. Provide guidance and assistance to community technology committees, including coordinating efforts to implement the Technologies Across Nebraska action plan.
    2.2. Develop a vision and strategy for expanded use of telehealth.
    2.3. Support strategies for developing "intellectual infrastructure".

3. Promote the use of information technology to improve the efficiency and delivery of governmental and educational services, including Homeland Security.   Objectives:
    3.1. Support planning and coordination of information technology investments relating to Homeland Security.
    3.2. Support successful implementation of the Nebraska Information System (NIS).
    3.3. Support implementation of the state's E-government strategy.
    3.4. Adopt technical standards, guidelines and enterprise methods to promote efficient use of information technology.

3.5. Promote activities to protect the security of information technology systems.

3.6. Define the role of the NITC with respect to local government technology issues, and the relationship of the NITC to existing state and local coordinating entities.

4. Promote effective planning, management and accountability regarding the state's investments in information technology. Objectives:

4.1. Evaluate the existing procedures for project planning and management and technical review of state-owned or state-supported information technology investments.

4.2. Document progress in achieving the goals and objectives of the NITC.

4.3. Assist the Governor and Legislature in reviewing technology-related budget requests and providing a prioritized list of projects.